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Applicant : Bilbin, Paul et al.
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97(d)
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Commissioner:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and in accordance with the provisions in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure §§ 609 and 707.05(B), enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is an IDS form (PTO Form SB/08a) listing references that are known to applicant. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2), only "pdf" copies of references *other than* U.S. patents and U.S. published applications are enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS").

It is respectfully submitted that this IDS filing is made during one of the periods described in 37 CFR § 1.97(d); a statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(2) and the fee set forth in §1.17(p) are included herewith; the Issue Fee for the above-identified application is also being filed concurrently herewith.

It is respectfully stated, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)(1) and 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(2), that no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing this certification after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

Further, it is respectfully stated that the only cited reference, a Notice of Allowance from the U.S. Patent Office, is dated October 11, 2011, and was therefore not received more than thirty (30) days prior to the filing (on October 21, 2011) of this Information Disclosure Statement. It is therefore respectfully asserted that the filing of this Supplemental IDS does not constitute a failure to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude prosecution of the application under 37

C.F.R. 1.704. It is therefore respectfully asserted that the Patent Term Adjustment for the present case should not be reduced as a result of the filing of this Supplemental IDS.

It is respectfully submitted that the listed reference (Non-Patent Literature Document Reference No. 1 listed on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement) is a Notice of Allowance issued for a co-pending U.S. patent application that has been or will be commonly assigned to the entities to which the above-referenced U.S. patent application has been or will be assigned.

While this Information Disclosure Statement, and the references and documents cited in the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement may be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, submission of this Information Disclosure Statement and citation of the references and documents listed in the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement are not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to herein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references and documents be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing for this application. Applicant also requests that an initialed copy of the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement be entered in the application file and returned to Applicant with the next communication from the office in accordance with MPEP §609.

Section 2. FORM SB/08a

A list of patents and publications is set forth on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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